MEDICAID MEMO

TO: All Providers of Nursing Services in Home and Community Based Care Waivers and Managed Care Organizations Providing Services to Virginia Medicaid Members

FROM: Cynthia B. Jones, Director
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MEMO: Special

DATE: May 29, 2013

SUBJECT: SFY 2014 Rate and Service Unit Changes for Private Duty Nursing Services — *Effective July 1, 2013*

The purpose of this memo is to notify providers of rate changes to private duty nursing services offered under the Medicaid Home and Community Based Care (HCBC) Technology Assisted (Tech) Waiver program for dates of service on or after July 1, 2013. In accordance with Item 307.KKKK of the 2013 Acts of Assembly, Chapter 806, reimbursement rates shall be increased by five percent for private duty nursing services provided under the Tech Waiver program. This increase does not apply to other waivers that offer skilled nursing or nursing services through the Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment (EPSDT) program.

Item 307.QQQQ of the 2013 Acts of Assembly, Chapter 806, authorizes DMAS to change the unit of service for skilled and private duty nursing from one hour to one-quarter of an hour. This applies to the Intellectual Disability Waiver (ID), the Individual and Family Developmental Disabilities Support Waiver (DD), the Tech Waiver and the EPSDT Program. This change requires promulgation of regulations and the implementation date of the change in billing unit will be communicated in a future Medicaid Memo.

The following table describes rates in effect and the change in rates to be implemented for dates of service on or after July 1, 2013:

National Code	Code Description	Modifier	Differential	Rates Effective 7/1/2012-6/30/13	Rates Effective 7/1/13-6/30/14
S9125	Private Duty Nursing Services-Respite RN	TD	NOVA	31.50	33.08
			ROS	25.94	27.24
	Private Duty Nursing Services-Respite LPN	TE	NOVA	27.30	28.67
			ROS	22.52	23.65
T1000	Congregate Nursing-RN	U1	NOVA	21.00	22.05
			ROS	18.22	19.13
T1001	Congregate Nursing-LPN	U1	NOVA	18.90	19.85
			ROS	16.52	17.35

T1002	Private Duty Nursing Services-RN		NOVA	31.50	33.08
			ROS	25.94	27.24
T1003	Private Duty Nursing Services-LPN		NOVA	27.30	28.67
			ROS	22.52	23.65
T1030	Congregate Nursing Services-Respite RN	TD	NOVA	21.00	22.05
			ROS	18.22	19.13
T1031	Congregate Nursing Services-Respite LPN	TE	NOVA	18.90	19.85
			ROS	16.52	17.35

NOVA=Northern Virginia ROS=Rest of State

VIRGINIA MEDICAID WEB PORTAL
DMAS offers a web-based Internet option to access information regarding Medicaid or FAMIS member eligibility, claims status, check status, service limits, service authorizations, and electronic copies of remittance advices. Providers must register through the Virginia Medicaid Web Portal in order to access this information. The Virginia Medicaid Web Portal can be accessed by going to: www.virginiamedicaid.dmas.virginia.gov. If you have any questions regarding the Virginia Medicaid Web Portal, please contact the Xerox State Healthcare Web Portal Support Helpdesk, toll free, at 1-866-352-0496 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, except holidays. The MediCall audio response system provides similar information and can be accessed by calling 1-800-884-9730 or 1-800-772-9996. Both options are available at no cost to the provider. Providers may also access service authorization information including status via KePRO's Provider Portal at http://dmas.kepro.com.

ELIGIBILITY VENDORS
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Passport Health Communications, Inc. www.passporthealth.com sales@passporthealth.com (888) 661-5657	Siemens Healthcare (HDX Division) www.hdx.com (610) 219-1600	Emdeon www.emdeon.com (877) 363-3666	Availity, LLC www.availity.com support@availity.com (800) 282-4548	Dorado Systems, LLC www.Doradosystems.com sales@doradosystems.com (856) 354-0048

"HELPLINE"
The "HELPLINE" is available to answer questions Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., except on holidays. The "HELPLINE" numbers are:

      1-804-786-6273   Richmond area and out-of-state long distance
      1-800-552-8627   All other areas (in-state, toll-free long distance)

Please remember that the "HELPLINE" is for provider use only. Please have your Medicaid Provider Identification Number available when you call.